

**EFFECTIVE**

May 1, 2013.

**Subject(s)**

1. Food Assistance (FAP).
2. Medicaid (MA).
3. Fugitive Felons.
4. Miscellaneous.

**1) Battered Alien****BEM 225, Citizenship/Alien Status****FAP**

The definition of battered alien is updated along with miscellaneous grammatical changes.

*Reason:* Clarification of battered alien eligibility for FAP.

Communication Plan: Weekly News.

**2) Medicaid****BAM 115, Application Processing**

When determining retroactive MA eligibility, each past month must have a separate evaluation.

**BAM 710**

Complete and email the DHS FIELD REQUESTS-DCH OIG Incoming Data Request Form to [OHSIGDataRequests@michigan.gov](mailto:OHSIGDataRequests@michigan.gov) to obtain a list of MA payments in the OI period.

*Reason:* The contact information for DCH OIG has been updated.

**BAM 805**

A DHS-8A, Irrevocable Funeral Contract Certification, can not be used to certify a life insurance funded funeral or annuity funded funeral as irrevocable.

*Reason:* For item continuity.

**BEM 101, MA Desk Aid**

The Systems Instructions Code Manual is obsolete, The Medicaid Desk Aid has been moved to the Bridges Eligibility Manual.

**BEM 165**

Email the information to the Buy-in Coordinator at [Buyinunit@michigan.gov](mailto:Buyinunit@michigan.gov) when full coverage QMB or limited coverage SLMB is approved, changed, terminated. Minor grammatical changes were also made including the removal of references to CIMS, DHS 6440 and LOA2.

*Reason:* Policy update.

**BEM 257, Third Party Resource Liability**

Complete all required information and fax the DCH-0078, Request to Add, Terminate or Change Other Insurance to the Third Party Liability Division as quickly as possible. If available, attach copies (front and back) of insurance identification cards. Include copies of identification cards for additional coverages (vision, LTC or dental) available to the client. TPL Division FAX (517) 346-9817. The form may also be found at: [https://www.michigan.gov/mdch/0,4612,7-132-2943\\_4860-286772--SS,00.html](https://www.michigan.gov/mdch/0,4612,7-132-2943_4860-286772--SS,00.html)

*Reason:* Updated contact information.

**BEM 270**

Once an applicant has taken action to receive other potential benefits, do not apply the lack of benefits to past months determinations of eligibility.

*Reason:* Policy clarification.

**BEM 400, Assets****MA only**

The asset limits for Medicare Saving Program only recipients changed effective January 1. It is now \$7,080 for a group of one and \$10,620 for a group of two.

*Reason:* Policy update.

**FIP, SDA and RCA only**

Homes and real property are countable assets so a statement for real property assets was added to the "Department Policy and Overview of Asset Policy" sections for policy consistency.

*Reason:* Policy clarification, policy consistency.

**BEM 401**

A disabled person can use their own assets to establish an exception B trust.

**BEM 401, BEM 405**

Transfers to an Exception B, Pooled Trust by a person age 65 or older are subject to divestment analysis. Do a complete divestment determination if the person is in a Penalty Situation.

**BEM 503**

Add countable RSDI income information to unearned income item. There is a disregard of the RSDI COLA for the months of January, February, and March of each year.

**BEM 257**

Added URL for the Third Party Liability forms for transmittal to DCH; [https://www.michigan.gov/mdch/0,4612,7-132-2943\\_4860-286772--SS,00.html](https://www.michigan.gov/mdch/0,4612,7-132-2943_4860-286772--SS,00.html)

**3) Fugitive Felons****BEM 203, BAM 811****All Programs**

Fugitive felons are not eligible for SER, their presence disqualifies the group.

Added MCL 400.10a-c and specific FNS regulation to the legal base.

*Reason:* Clarification.

**5) Miscellaneous****BAM 420, FIP/SDA Restricted Payment****FIP and SDA**

Removed references to CIMS and Model Payments.

**BAM 809**

Minor grammatical changes.

**BEM 630**

The income limits have been updated effective April 1, 2013.

**BEM 167**

Two of the operational PACE organizations currently listed have opened a second PACE Center.

1. CentraCare now has a second site at 445 W. Michigan Ave., Kalamazoo, MI 49001 and the toll free number is 877-284-4071.
2. The Center for Senior Independence (CSI) is opening a second site at 250 MacDougall, Detroit, MI 48207. Also, CSI recently changed all their telephone numbers. The 313-653-2020 telephone number is no longer correct. The correct telephone number is 313-543-6320.

A fifth PACE organization became operational in September 2012:

PACE of Southwest Michigan (269) 408-4322  
2900 Lakeview Avenue  
St. Joseph, MI 49085

**MANUAL  
MAINTENANCE  
INSTRUCTIONS****Added Items ...****BEM 101****Changed Items (content changes) ...****BAM 115****BAM 420****BAM 710****BAM 805****BAM 809****BAM 811****BEM 165****BEM 167****BEM 203****BEM 225****BEM 257****BEM 270****BEM 400****BEM 401****BEM 405****BEM 503****BEM 630**